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Nathaniel Bronner: It frees you when you have no ought against anybody.

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And now for 5791, The Road to Forgiveness Part 7, 70 Times 7.

Nathaniel Bronner: Truly, the video that we saw dealing with director of operations in that job description is accurate of what mothers must go through and all of us who are children. The Bible says that a (00:01:18) son is the heaviness of his mother because mothers worry about their children more than fathers do. They really do and there's something special about a mother's love. They don't talk about a father's love. It's always the mother's love. And I want to first of all, thank my mother, Robbie Bronner and I want to thank the mother of our four boys, Simon Bronner.

Motherhood is a job but it's a principle of both spirit and nature that a job well done always has its rewards. And even though mothers have to stay up late in the middle of the night and worry about children, universally, the world over for as long as I can remember of recorded history, mothers live longer than fathers to any cemetery anyway. And as a general principle, you will find that basically 80% of couples, the mother will outlive the daddy by an average of eight to ten years. So, even though it's tough, when you do what God has told you to do, there is a reward that comes with that and you check stats now. The gap is closing between the lifespan of women and men but so as the rate of motherhood going down. So, when God has ordained something, there is a value in it and there is a reward in a job well done.

So, mama, I just thank you and I know you know we had a great daddy, but I give my daddy credit for having sense enough to get a good mama. So, that makes a difference. I mean, it really does. My daddy had sense enough to get a good woman and it makes a difference. So, you got a best (00:03:23). You pick them. So, I give my daddy credit for that.

And daddy talked to me a whole lot about that when he got (00:03:30), he looked -- and my mother had a great sister but he say he looked at the sister and he looked at my mama and he said, "No, that sister. She's a good sister but that sister blows through your mind before you can move (00:03:42)." So, daddy had sense enough to analyze to get the right mama. It makes a huge, huge difference.

And before I even really started dating my wife, I want to see what her mama look like, because that would let me know right off the bed what she was going to look like down the road. So, I want to go and see what her mama look like. In the minute I saw her mother, I just liked her mother the minute did I saw her. So, there is a power of motherhood that anoints the children and there's no question about it and there was a value in that that is immeasurable.

So, I think all of the mothers who are here today who have birth children and (00:04:28) them and sin about them, it is a job. There's no question about that. But it is a job with benefits. And when you understand the benefits, it makes a difference. In a modern society today, it tries to downplay motherhood and it tries to make it appear like you're a big corporate executive. That's something that way better anointing. All that stuff is nice to have but there is no greater job than motherhood and there is no greater fulfillment than motherhood.

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And there's almost no greater pain. But often times, pain goes with gain and there is no greater joy. But there is also sometimes no greater pain but the pain only last for an instance, but the joy can last for a lifetime provided the children (00:05:20) son is the heaviness of his mother.

So, for those of you who have mothers, now is the time for you to really respect them, to treat them, to make sure they are well taken care of because you only get one mother and you need to see about them. And I just want to thank my wife and my mother for the phenomenal job that they have done with their children. Amen. Amen. Bow your heads.

Dear Heavenly Father, we just thank you for this day. We thank you for every mother in this place. Father, we pray your

continued anointing upon them, on them and their seed that they may be blessed and magnified. Father, we pray right now that you shall strengthen the mothers to even teach those who come after them for it takes the old and it takes the wise to teach the youth how to be good mothers, how to be good wives, how to train up their children in the way that they should go. So, Father, we just pray right now just a special prayer upon this day for the mothers within the sound of my voice may to be continually blessed and magnified. In thy Son Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Respondents: Amen.

Nathaniel Bronner: And there is something that God spoke to me a couple of days ago to tell you. See, sometimes He's just been giving me these words just to give you and it's this -- and it probably didn't apply to everybody but I absolutely believe it applies to those in obedience. And I must admit that something has happened within the church in this past year. C. Elijah has often say these messages, that there are three things that you can judge a person by. And two main things, one is their checkbook and their appointment book where they spend their money and where they spend their time. And I told you before the church's money had gone up in the first two months, 25%, and we look at it every couple of months, so we looked at March and April. January and February went up 25%. March and April was up 50% which is an unreal amount.

So, God has done two things. He blessed some of you tremendously and it wasn't one or two individuals. It's over a mass of people. I haven't done any preaching a long time, I don't know how long, so it is not from the preaching, it's something else. God has somehow blessed you and then put it on your heart to do what's right with the increased blessing. And what God spoke to me to tell you today is this, "That the coming days shall be better and greater than the prior ones."

And some of you are kind of over the hump. You're over the midpoint of life. Some of you may be 50, 60, 70, even 80 years old. And He sent me to tell you that the coming days shall be better and greater than the prior. And some of you say, "Well, how can that be when I'm older now?" See, really, this is a mindset and I can speak on this because I'm happier now than I've ever been in my life, but yet I'm older, I'm technically a senior citizen. So, I am older now but I have more joy, I have more fullness of light,

there's something about it that's just different now. So, I know for my personal experience and what God spoke, He said, "Your second half is going to be better and greater than your first half." And I can feel that, I can see it, but when He spoke it for me to tell you that, you got to start to believing, understanding and claiming that thing. That the days to come are going to be better and greater than the days that have gone by.

So, don't look at the fact that you're getting old. What's the alternative? So, don't look at the fact that you're getting old, look at and start claiming and start speaking this thing, the days that are coming are going to be better and greater than the days that have gone.

See, one thing about motherhood, motherhood is about giving birth. And just as you give birth to a fetus that transforms into a live child so does mentality and mindset, and I just hope for some of you today just that word will give birth to a concept in your mind that you can start manifesting that you're coming days are going to be better than your prior ones.

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And when you start breathing and living and seeing that, then you're going to start seeing that stuff manifested. Now, it's not so much that I got so much additional stuff. It's in my mind and spirit because that's why the Kingdom of Heaven He is in first place.

So, when you believe it and when there is an awareness of what I would call, "Enlightenment of Knowledge", it is not all about the stuff. It begins to change what you enjoy, how you enjoy it and what you appreciate. And when you change those things, the world just gets brighter. You're not as young as you used to be but I'm going to give a piece of advice right now and some great deep wisdom. You're not as young as you used to be but you are as young right now as you will ever be. Is this all relative?

I'm 62 years old. My mother is 84. Mother will tell me, "Son, you're just a baby. You're just a baby." So, some of you right now, your son, "Pastor, you don't understand how old --. You're just a baby." So, if you're in the 60s, based on my mother, you're just a baby. So, you need to enjoy your youth. And it's all the matter of how your mind and spirit is geared, whether you can accept what

God has told me to tell you today, that your year is coming and your days ahead are going to be better and greater than the days that are behind you, and when you can grab a whole to that, your life changes. And I'm grabbing a whole to that and I just believe all of these coming days, they are going to be fantastic. And I've had a good prior life but I believe the coming days are going to be better and greater than ever.

And I can see just from looking at just the giving roles, just from looking at the checkbook, some of you have become more blessed and more obedient than you've ever been. We've never had anything like this happened. It happened in the last four months and we cannot explain it. Some of you are being more obedient and you've been more blessed than you've ever been. And it's not just about money. People get it all mixed up. No, it's not about money because sometimes you can have all the money in the world and still be just as miserable as you can be. It's not about that. It is about having the joy of the Lord inside of you and that just didn't mean just because you're a Christian, because there's a pile of Christians miserable. There's a pile of Christians miserable. So, it's not even about just because you're a Christian. There's a big difference between being Christian and having the joy of the Lord in you, big difference in there.

So, I believe you're hit(ph) for a level of joy and level of peace that some of you didn't even know was possible. And some of you have been dreading tomorrow because you're thinking you're getting older, you're getting more decrepit and things are going to get worse. I'm here to tell you, for those of you in obedience, that the days ahead are going to be better and greater than the days that are behind you.

Dear Heavenly Father, I just pray that you take control and continue to guide my mind and every word that I shall speak. Open the hearts and minds of the people that they shall receive that which you shall speak into them upon this day. Thy Son Jesus' name we pray. Amen. Pray two times a day.

Can you all feel of what's coming? There's almost like a vibe. It's coming and you got to be able to know and to be able to expect it and you have to get in position to receive, because I've seen that also. If they're not in position to receive it, they just mess Him up. They don't even recognize it, they don't realize it, they squander it away and they ended up (00:14:12) after they've been

giving it (00:14:14) beforehand. So, you've got to be in position to receive it. I believe it's coming.

And for many of you, it begins with recognizing what you already got because that's the other thing that I've seen. Those who don't appreciate what they have generally don't appreciate what's coming. So, you need to, first of all, appreciate what you got and that's a whole lot. And when you begin to appreciate what you've got, you can appreciate what's coming even more. So, I can just see it, I can feel it. We're headed for a new level.

Thank you for joining us today at Brothers of the Word because brother, you need the word. And today, I am in the final part of a series called, "The Road to Forgiveness."

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And normally, we don't talk about what day or season it is because people may listen to this message at anytime day or night, any season of the year even years from now. But today is a special day. Today is the American special day of Mother's Day. And yet, God knew I would be preaching this final message on this and I said, "Lord, shouldn't you give me a special message for Mother's Day?" And God said this, He says, "There's no better earthly example than a mother to talk about forgiveness because mamas have to forgive." Children and sometime the daddies or many times to daddies would just give them all kind of reason. And do you know how thoroughly a mother forgives? The child drop stuff and mess up stuff and throw up all over stuff and just (00:16:00). But do you know the mother never hose(ph) it against the child? The mother forgives over and over and over and over and over again, because the mother has love and the mother has almost an unconditional love for their child. So, there's no better earthly example in the mass of forgiveness than that of motherhood.

And you can go and listen to all of these messages. Part 1 was called, "Acknowledging the Offense", Part 2, "Get God's Perspective", Part 3, "Can I Overlook This", Part 4, "How to Confront", Part 5, "Recognize God Forgave You", Part 6, "Cancelling the Debt", and today, Part 7. I've been using Matthew 6:14 and 15 that talks about where Jesus says right after the Lord's Prayer that if you don't forgive, then God won't forgive you. But I want to use today what He also said in Mark 11 beginning

at Verse 20. And it reads, “In the morning, as they went along, they saw a fig tree withered from the roots. Peter remembered and said to Jesus, ‘Rabbi, look the fig tree you cursed has withered.’ ‘Have faith in God’, Jesus answered. ‘I tell you the truth. If anyone says to this mountain go throw yourself into the sea and does not doubt in his heart but believes that what he says will happen, it will be done for him. Therefore I tell you, whatever you asked for in prayer believe that you have received it and it will be yours.’”

Now, we’ve heard this verse over and over and over and over and over, having the faith of a grain of mustard seed, you can say to that mountain, “Be thou remove and be thou cast into the sea. If you believe it in your heart, then you can receive it.” But this is the next verse. Verse 25, “And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins.”

Even to get your prayers answered, and we preached on this, we talked about this so much but we leave off the “and” part. Jesus said “and” when you stand and pray, when you’re praying to God for what you want, when you’re praying to God to get that mountain out of your life, when you’re praying to God to get your body healed, to get your bank account fatter, when you’re praying to God to sin you make, when you stand and pray, use the “and”. When you stand and pray, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him so that your Father in heaven may forgive your sins, even when you’re praying for something. Jesus even tell you, “Look, if you come down to the altar and bring in your offering, leave it into offering if you’ve got ought against your brother and go back and get that thing straight.”

He’s saying, “I don’t want to preach that because, Lord, have mercy to money and the church will dry up. But he did tell you to bring it to the offering and leave it there and then go get straight. So, he did tell you to bring the money and leave it and then go but don’t pick the money with you. (00:19:27) tell you, “Leave it there, then go and straight with your brother then come back.”

So, Jesus was serious about this even in Luke 6:37, He says this, “Judge not, and you shall not be judged. Condemn not, and you shall not be condemned. Forgive, and you shall be forgiven.” All this stuff, it’s the part of what you need to do.

Now, Paul was different. Paul talked a lot about forgiveness but Paul simply talked about one in and you can read verse after verse about where Paul says to forgive, and to forgive, and to forgive, but Paul never put any word where I have read.

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Forgive, so that you can be forgiven. And if you don't forgive, you won't be forgiven. Paul left that out because Paul don't want to hear that. They just want to hear the sweet part. Paul tells you to forgive but he doesn't tell you what happens if you don't forgive. Jesus told you that. So, forgiveness is a fundamental part that we need to do for us. And if we don't, there's an issue.

Mathew 18 begin at Verse 21, "Then Peter came to Him and said, 'Lord how often shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him, up to seven times?'" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you up to seven times but up to seventy times seven." So, Part 7 of the series The Road to Forgiveness: 70 times 7. Now, that's a hard thing.

You see, it's a challenge just to forgive a Negro once. It's a challenge just to forgive one time. And then, here comes Peter and Peter says, "Lord, how many timers do I need to forgive this rascal, seven?" And Jesus said, "Nope, 490 that's what 70 times 7 is. You need to forgive him 490 times." Jesus was another level of difficulty. I just admit that. But see, that's consistent with all higher level stuff. See, Paul was correct but he's just not high level as Jesus and you find their instructions are radically different. I want the highest level.

So, here, Jesus says, "Four hundred and ninety times should you forgive your brother." Now, some preachers will interpret that as infinity. No, it wasn't infinity, it's 490 times. He gave it exactly, so on the 491st. But he told you exactly how many times you must forgive, 490 times. But do you know by the time you get through, and this is a critical point to get, it didn't say that they must sin against you or cause an offense or a problem with you 490 times. It says you have to forgive them 490 times and that forgiveness is in the heart.

By the time you get through truly forgiving somebody 490 times, you've risen to a whole new level. And I've seen this with some of the things that, for example, the DO 42 program does. By the

time you do that thing so many times, it gets into your nature. It changes how you think. By the time, you get through truly forgiving someone 490 times, you're no longer the same person. You have developed and you have engrained this thing into a folk and spirit and a behavior pattern that changes you. But to think about it, Jesus said basically you got to forgive them 490 times. That's a hard thing.

So, all of these stuff about forgiveness, none of it is easy because if you have to forgive, it means that you have born some pain with something. It means that there has been something done against you and to do that many times is not easy. But that's why I believe God spoke the word to me to tell you before I begin the sermon that the days that are coming are going to be better and greater than the days that had gone by. Because one of the things it frees you when have no ought against anybody, when you have no resentment, when you're not holding some anger or bitterness against folk. That thing frees you. And when it frees you, it frees you to live life because you don't carry those kinds of burdens. And what Jesus is saying it's almost like infinity, He is basically saying you keep forgiving them. I don't care how many times they sin against you.

There was an old grandmother on her 50th wedding anniversary. She says, "I'm going to tell you all my secret to why I've had such a long and a happy marriage." She said, "On my wedding day, I decided to choose ten of my husband's faults which for the sake of our marriage I would overlook." So, somebody who was there to her 50th wedding anniversary said, "Well, which 10 did you choose?"

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And she said, "Well, to tell you the truth, I never did get around to listing them. But whenever my husband just made me really, really, really mad, I will say to myself and look up at him, 'That's one of ten.'"

And see, to continually forgive someone, who does what you think is wrong. Now, this is Mother's Day. If I ask for a show of hands, how many mothers in here have had a child at one point say to them, "I hate you"? How many mothers have had a child say that? Raise your hand. There's a whole a lot of you, even don't have a child say that. Some of you just may not want to raise your hands

but there's a whole a lot that just had a child and said, "I hate you." Because when mama is trying to discipline them or said, "Look, you can't go out. You got to be in by a certain time. No, you can't (00:26:09). I hate you!" Even when you have to forgive the other person maybe doing you wrong but they may be not be doing you wrong, you may be like their child who does not understand what someone else is trying to do for your good and for your benefit. And often times, it's like that in relationships.

Jesus says you have to forgive the person 490 times. Sometimes, we don't want to forgive if the folk don't change. But what do you do if they don't change and you forgive them? You got 489 more times. You see, Jesus' command was not based on forgive them if they change because some folk just got a nature, it's their nature and there's nothing that you can do to change some folk. You don't need to get that in some (00:27:12), there's nothing that you can do to change some folk. God couldn't even change a lot of folk, so what makes you think you can? He just had to deal with them but He can't change them. So, there's a ton of folk God could not change, Jesus could not change, you're not going able to change. But that is not the command He gave you. He gave you the command to forgive them. Whether they were right or wrong, you are suppose to forgive them. And it just makes a world of difference when you can get that stuff out of your heart. Because sometimes you need to forgive folk when you're married to him or you work with them or you work for them or they're in your close family.

So, what if you got a boss and the boss does something that you think is wrong every single day? You got to forgive them or else how do you come to work and how do you leave work? With your lip all poked at, your blood pressure risen up to the roof, you can't sleep at night and all you can think about is your boss and how the boss is doing you. Now, the boss may be wrong but the boss may not be wrong. That's not what Jesus told you to work. Jesus said you forgive them and by the time you get through forgiving that boss 490 times, it will change you and there's a good possibility it may have change the boss. And that's the command and it's simply not easy.

So, preacher, how do I do this? And I talked about this in the last message about cancelling the dept. But how do you continually forgive someone? Jesus made a statement when one of the disciples asked Him, He said, "Look, with man, this is impossible.

With God, all things are possible.” You can’t do this off your natural intellect because it goes against every fiber of the human flesh to continually forgive. But yet, a mother can do it. And how is it that a mother can keep forgiving a child when they have temper tantrums, they do break stuff and schlep stuff? How is it that a mother can continually forgive? How? It’s love. It’s love and (00:29:46).

I never will forget my wife when we had our first child. My wife is a very picky eater. She won’t eat behind me. She won’t eat behind anybody. She’s just really picky. When my wife gets in the (00:30:00) and brush my seat off, “(00:30:02), sweetheart!” She’s going brush the seat off. She’s just real picky about stuff.

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So, I’m sitting there looking at my wife with our first son and I think it was either banana or apple or something, and my first son had eaten on the banana, the apple, it would just drip in with spit, just drip in with spit. So, (00:30:24) just all over the thing. So, I’m looking at my wife and then she picks up the fruit and she goes to eat. I said, “(00:30:31). You’re eating a fruit with all the schlob(ph) on it and you won’t even eat anything else behind anybody. And this stuff look clean that’s got all that schlob on it. How are you eating a fruit with all that schlob on it?” And she just looks and said, “He mind. He mind.”

So, often times, a mother has a level of understanding but I want you to understand this. When God looks at you, God says, “They mind.” Even with all that schlob and all that mess on their life, they mind. So, God can see some things and feel some things and he can see it through a father’s love just like so many of you mothers can see it through a mother’s love and it just makes a difference, but you have to be able to move from just something that came out of your womb to understand all of us, of the children of God. And when you can look at another person and you don’t see all the schlob and the schlop and the mess and the schlob, and you can look at that person and you can say, “This person is a child of God.”

So, when you can see that, you see beyond physical eyes, because sometimes it’s hard for us to forgive because we don’t know their story. Everybody in here right now is fighting some kind of battle. Everybody got struggles and trials and tribulation they deal with

and stuff and issues. So, when you can understand the reason sometimes as to why we do some things, then it makes a whole lot more sense. But a lot of times, a person you're trying to forgive, you don't know their reason. You don't know what they've been through. You don't know their story.

So, when you don't know their story, you cannot understand their behavior. And often times, what God has had to show me, look, if you have been put in that situation, you'll be worse than they are. So, you don't know their story. But all of us, we're His children.

So, when you can see another person not as just my mean boss or not as just this person not acting right. This person is a child of God. So, when we can see that and when we can understand that, we'll be able to move to the 70 times 7 and day after day after day and time after time after time, we'll be able to forgive. And that's why God told me the folk who really need this. They don't need to miss a single message. Some of you have not heard these messages. They're absolutely free. You can go to brothersoftheword.com. You can listen to the first six messages absolutely free.

This final message, it began to hit me with some stuff I'm dealing with and sometimes it's not easy to continually forgive. God told me that -- he said, "Don't you preach anything to the folk you can't do." This is something I can do, it's just not easy. Just it is something I can do. It's also something you can do. It's just not easy. But almost nothing that is truly worthwhile is ever that easy, but they will take you to another level. And just for so many of us, some of our gates are blocked, our prayers are blocked, our healing is blocked because we have unforgiveness in our hearts and we need to let this stuff go.

Jesus, you got to forgive the folk in your heart. It begins with your mouth and I gave you those mechanisms of what to do and how to do it in the last message. So, you need to definitely go back and listen to that. I'm just telling you how to do it. But God is trying to take us to another level and that level requires us to forgive, to get it out of our system and not just forgive what they did. It requires us to forgive what they're going to do and what they're going to keep on doing. That's a hard thing. I understand why Paul had to stole(ph) from somebody's stuff up.

I understand why out of Jesus' 70 disciples 80% of them left because it is a hard thing. That's a hard thing. But He's right. And it takes you to the mountaintop. It takes you to that narrow road that few people ever travel where your heart is free, where your mind is free, where your joy overflows. It's just like when the prophet came and touched my stomach and fell. But he said, "I have never touched anybody with this much joy as you have." I cannot have joy and unforgiveness at the same time. They don't leave in the same house.

When you got unforgiveness in you, it mess up your joy because you --. You can't sleep. You can't enjoy your life and peace because you're worried about what you think someone else has done and you do not know their story. And sometimes when you learned their story, it changes what you think about them.

See? You know your own story that's why you say, "I'm just (00:36:10)." You know your own story but you don't know those that you may hold something against. And after the things that actually shape negative behavior, they're private. They're not going to tell you. The stuff that really shapes really negative behavior, folk will not tell you about their stuff. They may tell somebody in a private (00:36:30), but they're not going to tell you because it's too embarrassing most of the time. I'm open with a lot of my stuff and I got some stuff I don't tell you. I'll just be honest about -- C. Elijah (00:36:40) his stuff, but I got some stuff I don't tell you.

So, the thing is, you must forgive to move to this level where God wants to take us, 70 times 7. And all of the prime messages I've talked about you forgiving and getting it clear, you got to keep on forgiving. Even when they keep on abusing, you got to keep on forgiving. Or, best it is, you got to be a limit. Yeah, that's a limit, 490. It's not infinite. He gave you a specific limit, 490 times. You truly forgive them 490 times and at the 491st time, you are now free to feel to what you want to feel. But you have to legitimately, from your heart, forgive them 490 times. And I don't even think anybody make it to 100 without a radically change in them, much less 490. I don't even think you can make it to 100. If you truly forgive a person 100 times, you're different and you're at the point now where it doesn't even bother you anymore.

There is nothing to forgive because you've gotten over that thing. So, God wants to take us to another level of where we are free, where we are full joy, and where we walk in the image of Christ. I believe that and I think for some of you, you're getting ready to hit to a whole new level and you're getting ready to go to a point where the days hated are better than the days behind. You're getting ready to go to a point where the furrows on your face these worry lands, somebody's hate lands and wrinkle lands, all of that is getting ready to be replaced by a smile. He's getting ready to take you to a point where you are free. Know the truth and the truth shall set you free. For those who do the truth. That's the other part of that verse before we leave out, because knowing the truth does not set you free, only when you walk in it. And Jesus has told you, (00:38:51).

If you do not forgive of us, your Heavenly Father will not forgive you. Over and over and over again, you must forgive, but it will change you. It will change you, it may eventually change them, but you will become a new creature.

I am going to be beginning the next series that God has spoken into my heart. The next series is called, "Success Forces." And I can understand how -- once you forgive, you're ready for success because you will not have success with a bunch of unforgiveness. So, the next series begins. It's called, "Success Forces." He's getting ready for you to move some of you to just another level of life, another level of life.

We're going to ask our musical guest to come back and give us another selection. And after that, Pastor James will close us out. He doesn't have his music here but it is online. You can get it at iTunes or Amazon.

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I don't personally want CDs anyway. I want all my stuff downloaded in mp3, so jonathankilgore.com. Amen.

(Crosstalk/Music Playing: 00:40:10 - 00:45:29)

Pastor James: We thank Brother Kilgore for sharing his musical gifting with us today. Amen. Amen. I know many of you are ready to get to Mother's Day dinners and -- before we leave, if there's anybody in this place that you've heard the series on The Road to

Forgiveness, you just want to release somebody from your heart today. You heard on the 70 times 7 and you don't want to leave this place with unforgiveness in your hearts. Does anybody you either want to forgive somebody today or you want to renew your relationship with Christ, just come right now, just come right now as He has forgiven us for so much and you just want to walk in obedience today, you want to be free. Amen. Amen.

It's not just hearing the truth that makes us free but it's the doing. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Glory to His name, glory. Don't let another person keep you in bondage today. Amen. You give them permission to keep you unbounded.

Nathaniel Bronner: Just before it begins, I noticed, in each one of the cases when Jesus -- He said forgive your brother, they were men, not even women. Mothers, what is the mothering spirit? This man got some stuff that's why -- brother. Amen. This man got some stuff. And men need to man up and sometimes even just a man up means to fast up and makes changes and move in a different direction. Amen.

Pastor James: Amen. Amen. You all would just repeat after me. Heavenly Father, thank you for your son Jesus and thank you for forgiving me, and in the same spirit, I forgive those that have hurt me. I forgive those that have talked about me. I forgive those that have done evil against me. I forgive those that have hurt me. I forgive those that have broken my trust. I thank you for helping me to forgive. This day, I release them in Jesus' name. I release them in Jesus' name. I release them in Jesus' name. I am free. Amen. Amen. Amen. Okay, thank you so much. Thank you so much. Amen. You can go in the freedom of His name. Amen. Amen.

Is there anybody that wants to join the Ark of Salvation before we are dismissed, who wants to join with this body of believers? We invite you to come at this time, the doors of the church -- stand to your feet and come across.

Nathaniel Bronner: If we could, I'd like to ask Mr. Kilgore, if you would come and just give us a close as we leave just one song. We can go out just on his music, and we go out to forgive even on the beautiful notes of a song.

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